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SUBJECT: SECVISIT: PRESS ARRANGEMENTS

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1. WE PROVIDED LIST OF CORRESPONDENTS ACCOMPANYING THE SECRETARY AND CABLE ADDRESSES OF THEIR NEWS ORGANIZATIONS TO MFA BY NOTE ON OCTOBER 11. ON OCTOBER 13, USLO OFFICER PROVIDED COPY OF OTE TO MFA INFORMATION DEPARTMENT INTERNATIONAL PRESS LIAISON CHIEF MA YU-CHEN AND DISCUSSED WITH HIM PRESS ARRANGEMENTS FOR SECSTATE VISIT.

2. CORRESPONDENTS: MA SAID PRC HAD REVIEWED THE LIST OF CORRESPONDENTS AND HAD DECIDED TO APPROVE VISAS FOR ALL OF THEM. (IN AN ASIDE, HE TOOK SPECIFIC NOTE OF HONG KONG-BASED CORRESPONDENTS ELEGANT AND GREENWAY ON THE LIST.) HE ASKED THAT IT BE UNDERSTOOD BY ALL OF THE CORRESPONDENTS THAT THEY WERE COMING TO CHINA TO COVER VISIT OF SECSTATE. HIS DEPARTMENT WOULD ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE SIDE ACTIVITIES IF REQUESTED, BUT THERE WOULD BE SEVERE LIMITS ON WHAT THEY COULD DO GIVEN OTHER DEMANDS ON THEIR TIME.

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3. ACCOMMODATIONS: CORRESPONDENTS WILL AGAIN BE

HOUSED IN MINDZU HOTEL. PRESS SPOKESMAN FUNSETH
WILL BE PROVIDED OFFICE SPACE IN THE HOTEL.
CORRESPONDENTS CAN EXPECT TO BE BILLED LUMP SUM FOR
ROOM, MEALS AND TRANSPORTATION. THEY SHOULD CARRY
ADEQUATE CASH OF TRAVELLERS CHECKS TO COVER PAYMENT.
(GROWALD AND KEATLEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE APPROXI-
MATE COST OF LAST YEAR'S ACCOMMODATIONS.) PRESS SPOKES-
MAN AND USLO ACCOMMODATIONS ARE PROVIDED GRATIS BY
CHINESE.

4. FILING ARRANGEMENTS: AS LAST YEAR, MINDZU HOTEL
WILL BE EQUIPPED WITH FILING FACILITIES INCLUDING
SEVERAL TELEX MACHINES, TWO TELEPHONE BOOTHS, AND A
RADIO PROGRAMING BOOTH. CORRESPONDENTS WILL
BE ABLE TO HAND STORIES OR PHOTOGRAPHS TO CHINESE
TECHNICIANS FOR TRANSMISSION. EACH CORRESPONDENT

MUST HAVE ITU CARD WITH WORDS "PRESS COLLECT" ON IT
TO PAY FOR COLLECT TELEX MESSAGES. TELEPHONE MESSAGES
CAN BE MADE COLLECT WITHOUT SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

5. SHIPMENT OF TV FILM: ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE
TO SHIP TELEVISION FILM AS NEEDED TO TOKYO ON OCTOBER
20, 21, 22, AND IF NECESSARY 23. THERE ARE TWO FLIGHTS
ON OCTOBER 20, (PK AT 0830, JLHGT 1630) AND OCTOBER 21
(CA AT 0645, AF AT 1240) AND ONE ON OCTOBER 22 (IR AT
0930) ATF OCTOBER 23 (JL AT 1335).

6. PHOTOGRAPHS OF CORRESPONDENTS: SUGGEST DEPARTMENT
SEND THREE PHOTOGRAPHS OF EACH WASHINGTON-BASED
CORRESPONDENT WITH S/S ADVANCE TEAM IF POSSIBLE. THIS
WOULD ALLOW PRESS CARDS TO BE MADE UP IN ADVANCE AND
AVOID POSSIBLE CONFUSION ON FILING FIRST DAY STORIES.
IT WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL IF HONG KONG COULD SEND UP
ELEGANT AND GREENWAY PHOTOS BY TRAVELERS WHO MIGHT PASS
THEM TO US IN PEKING THIS WEEK.

7. USLO PRESS LIAISON OFFICER: FSO B. LYNN PASCOE
WILL AGAIN SERVE AS USLO PRESS LIAISON OFFICER AND
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RESIDE AT MINDZU HOTEL.
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